

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

CLAIM 1. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument comprising:

a first percussive instrument;

~~and~~ a second percussive instrument wherein the first percussive instrument is operable by a player using at least one hand and wherein the second percussive instrument is simultaneously operable by a player using said at least one hand wherein said second percussive instrument comprises a hammer; [,]

at least one anvil; and

an actuator wherein the actuator is disposed on the first percussive instrument and operates the hammer and causes the hammer to strike the anvil.

2. (Original) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 1 wherein the first percussive instrument has a handle and the actuator is disposed on the handle of the first percussive instrument.

3. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 1 ~~or claim 2~~ wherein the first percussive instrument comprises at least one of a tambourine, shaker, rattle, and bell ~~or bells~~.

4. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 3 wherein the first percussive instrument is a tambourine including a rim on which a plurality of at least one a jingles, metal disks and bell ~~or bells~~, are mounted.

5. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein the hammer is pivotally mounted on the compound percussion instrument such that the hammer is pivotally mounted ~~may pivot~~ to strike the anvil.

6. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ wherein the hammer is slidably mounted on the compound percussion instrument to permit the hammer to strike the anvil.

7. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein the hammer is biased to a primed condition.
8. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 7 wherein the hammer is biased using a spring ~~or using an over centre pivotal mount~~.
9. (Original) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 8 wherein the hammer is biased to a primed condition with an over centre pivotal mount having opposed anvils on either side of the pivot point.
10. (Original) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 9 wherein the hammer is biased using a spring such that in a primed condition the hammer rests against one of the anvils.
11. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim ~~any one of claims 1 to 8~~ wherein the compound percussion instrument includes a single anvil and the hammer is biased to a primed position in which a striking surface of the hammer is spaced from the anvil.
12. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein the hammer is chosen to provide a desired acoustic response.
13. (Original) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 12 wherein the hammer is in the form of a temple block comprising a hollow member having at least one opening.
14. (Original) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 13 wherein the hammer is in the form of a temple block that strikes opposed anvils on either side of a pivotal mount.

15. (Original) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 14 wherein the opposed anvils are in the form of projections extending from a frame of the compound percussion instrument.

16. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 15 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein the at least one anvil is chosen to provide the desired acoustic response.

17. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 1 ~~further comprising any one of the preceding claims wherein~~ an the actuator is directly connected to the hammer ~~and~~ forms an extension therefrom.

18. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 17 ~~any one of claims 1 to 16~~ wherein the actuator is indirectly connected to the hammer via a linkage.

19. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 17 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein the actuator is a trigger.

20. (Currently Amended) A compound percussion instrument as claimed in claim 17 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein the percussion instrument includes a plurality of hammers actuated by the actuator.

CLAIM LISTINGS

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